

WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 16, 2012

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the Washington County Commission was called to order by Chairman Alan D. Gardner at 4:00 p.m. on October 16, 2012, in the Commission Chambers, Washington County Administration Building, St. George, Utah. Those in attendance were Chairman Alan D. Gardner, Commissioner James J. Eardley, Commissioner Dennis Drake, Washington County Administrator Dean J. Cox, Deputy County Attorney Jodi Borgeson, and Deputy County Clerk Doreen Bowers-Irons.

Commissioner Eardley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA:

The Consent Agenda is a means of expediting routine matters which come before the Commission for approval. The Consent Portion of the agenda is approved by one (1) non-debatable motion. If any Commissioner wishes to remove an item from the Consent Portion of the agenda, then that item becomes the first order of business on the Regular Agenda.

- Consideration of Auditor-Approved Claims for Payment for October 3, 2012, through October 16, 2012
- Consideration of Approval of Administrative Adjustments: Personal Property
- Consideration of Approval of Application for Settlement or Deferral of Property Taxes: Villegas Gonzalo, Serial Number DIRE-1-6-SW
- Consideration of Application(s) for Property Tax Abatement: Tammy Frankino, S/N SG-SETH-7
- Acknowledgment of Publishing of Adoption of Ordinance No. 2012-1024-O on Saturday, October 6, 2012

Actions of the Washington County Planning Commission Meeting / 10-09-12

Transmission Project approving three (3) alternative routes through Washington County to Red Butte No. 2. Rocky Mountain Power, applicant.

This is an automatic annual review. Public utilities and transmission lines are conditionally approved within the OSC-20 and OST-20 (County Code 10-6A&B-3), A-20 and MH Zones in Washington County. Previously, Rocky Mountain Power obtained a CUP for a Project Area, which contains both proposed routes described in the application as Alternative S4 and S7 and another route combining the portions of the two routes. Rocky Mountain Power requested that the planning commission and Washington County Commission deem pre-construction and major activities as substantial work pursuant to Chapter 10-8-8 (County Code), which was done before the issuance of the

Record of Decision (ROD) by the BLM. It was expected that BLM would issue its decision in September of this year and the construction would begin in October 2012. Mark Cox, Rocky Mountain Power representative, has submitted a letter stating that the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) is currently going through final reviews in the BLM's Washington, D.C., office and it is anticipated that the FEIS will be released this month. The ROD is now anticipated in December of 2012. The planning commission made a unanimous decision to recommend the Conditional Use Permit extension for another year. The Planning Commission unanimously approved.

Conditional Use Permit: Request permission to locate equipment and pipe storage in a staging area on the Bowler arena property in Veyo. Carl Bowler, owner/applicant.

The applicant would like to operate a staging area in the County located on the Bowler property in Veyo. The applicant will lease this site out to the contractor for pipe storage on the Veyo Culinary Water Project. This area has been utilized for staging by different contractors in the past.

Findings & Fact:

- Compatible with previous uses
- Similar to public utilities and judged by the planning commission to be in harmony with the intent of the A-10 zone

The planning commission unanimously recommended approval of the Conditional Use Permit, subject to sanitary facilities, dust control and signage for traffic control.

MOTION : Motion by Commissioner Eardley to Approve the Consent Agenda with the Exception of the Application for Property Tax Abatement Serial Number SG-SETH-7, which is Denied Pending the Submittal of a Hardship Letter, as Required. Motion seconded by Commissioner Drake and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Eardley, and Drake voting aye.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT / SHERIFF CORY PULSIPHER

Washington County Sheriff Cory Pulsipher said that there were three (3) Search and Rescue (SAR) call-outs during the past two (2) weeks, including a search for a firearm in the hills near Washington, an injured hiker in Snow Canyon, and a called-off search for an overdue hiker near the Red Cliffs Recreation area, who finally contacted SAR en route to cancel the request.

PURCHASE REQUEST(S) / MARK BLANCH

Sheriff's Office, Ford E350 transport van \$ 10,000.00

All purchases are budgeted, bonded, or paid for through grant funds.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Drake to Approve the Purchase Request. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Eardley, and Drake voting aye.

ADJOURN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING AND RE-CONVENE AS BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Eardley to Adjourn the Board of Commissioners and Re-Convene as the Board of Equalization. Motion seconded by Commissioner Drake and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Eardley, and Drake voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 8, 2012; CLOSE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Eardley to Approve the Board of Equalization Minutes of October 8, 2012, and to Close the Board of Equalization for Fiscal Year 2012. Motion seconded by Commissioner Drake and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Eardley, and Drake voting aye.

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MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Eardley to Adjourn the Board of Equalization and Re-Convene as the Board of Commissioners. Motion seconded by Commissioner Drake and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Eardley, and Drake voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2012-1025-O, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DISPOSAL OF DEAD ANIMALS

Chairman Gardner said that this item has been reviewed extensively by the County Attorney's Office, and this Ordinance contains some minor revisions to earlier policy.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Drake to Adopt Ordinance No. 2012-1025-O, An Ordinance Amending Requirements for the Disposal of Dead Animals. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Eardley, and Drake voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2012-1670, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DAMMERON VALLEY WASTEWATER AGREEMENT

This agreement is between Washington County, the Washington County Water Conservancy District, and the Dammeron Valley Water Corporation, with the cooperation of the primary developer in that area.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Drake to Adopt Resolution No. R-2012-1670, A Resolution Approving the Dammeron Valley Wastewater Agreement. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Eardley, and Drake voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2012-1671, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN COLORADO CITY, ARIZONA, AND WASHINGTON COUNTY REGARDING THE HOUSING OF INMATES AT THE PURGATORY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

Sheriff Pulsipher explained that previously, when Colorado City made an arrest, it would bring the perpetrator to the Purgatory Correctional Facility (PCF) to be held. The PCF would then bill Mohave County for that service. Mohave County then determined that it was not responsible for the costs of housing prisoners from Colorado City unless a judge had made that decision on a case-by-case basis. It was decided to draft this agreement so that there would be a legal way to hold those inmates for either transport or video arraignment and arrange for that financing.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Drake to Adopt Resolution No. R-2012-1671, a Resolution Approving the Interlocal Agreement between Colorado City, Arizona, and Washington County Regarding the Housing of Inmates at the Purgatory Correctional Facility. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Eardley, and Drake voting aye.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

No items were presented today.

PUBLIC WORKS OR ROAD BUSINESS

Washington County Public Works Director Ron Whitehead said that his road crew is still working in the Gunlock area on the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) project. Because some blasting is taking place, the contractor has been advised to provide advance information on blasting activities so that citizens will be forewarned.

Another project has been tentatively approved pending receipt of a final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). That project is the Shivwits Indian Reservation portion of the Old Highway 91 chip and seal work. The County has the right-of-way, but the roadway is located on the Shivwits Reservation, and the Federal Highway Administration decided it would be prudent to obtain permission from the Shivwits tribe to avoid the lengthy process of going through the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING BUSINESS

No items were presented today.

Request A Closed Session

None.

There being nothing further to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

CHRISTINE S. HALL
DEPUTY CLERK

ALAN D. GARDNER
CHAIRMAN